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CABLE DAY CELEBRATION.

Cable Day will be made one of the memorable occasions in Honolulu's chronology, and fittingly so, for the arrival of the Silvertown, with the end of the copper wire which will bear so many messages, fraught with great meaning, will be an event second only in importance to annexation. It will mean, as did the other, stability, for with knowledge as to the markets of the world there will be parity of values and equality of prices.

It would be impossible to enumerate the variety of ways in which electric communication with the world will tend to make Hawaii a business center. Already there are to be seen the signs which indicate the coming of greater fleets of merchant ships. The prospective French line will give new connection with the South Seas and with the coming of the great "Jim" Hill liners from Sound ports there will be an added evidence of the importance of Honolulu as a mid-seas capital.

With all the advantages in prospect it would be unlike Honolulu to permit the day of the opening of the line to pass without ceremonious celebration. Governor Dole sounded the note when he declared that he favored a people's day, with music, addresses, public receptions and fireworks as opposed to a mere formal banquet where the few might voice their rejoicings. The four committees will frame such a program as will enable the various elements of our cosmopolitan population to find pleasure in the exercises which will mark the event and certainly every citizen will have cause to join in the merry making which will mark the epoch in island history.

The only element which will be lacking will be the presence of one of the general officers of the company to whose progressiveness must be credited the consummation of the hopes of a generation. The leaders in the great enterprise however will be at the other end of the wire and will be able to know instantly the feeling which will animate the whole people upon the mention of the name of Mackay. To the man departed must be given the credit for the plans which are so near to fruition and to his son and worthy successor will be sent on that opening day an "Aloha" which will represent the good will of all Hawaii.

MORE LIGHT.

The best safeguard against footpads is electric light. The deeds of the city highwayman are always deeds of darkness; he does not prowl in the daytime and at night he always seeks the murkiest spots. A city that is flooded with light cannot harbor him and will be equally untenable for his friend the burglar. The reason why two hold-ups have occurred on Punahou street within six weeks is entirely one of electric lighting, there being two blocks there which are dark enough to serve the purposes of any Jack Turpin who wants to take a "road agency." By letting the electric blaze into them Jack will have to find some other hiding place.

The fact lends interest to the proposal to increase and extend the government electric light service and give every part of the city the benefit of it. It is possible that the coming municipality, in the development of more water power, can provide such a service so cheaply that Honolulu will be the best lighted city west of Chicago.

It is rather a pity that the news of the capture and conviction of Rodriguez, the man who robbed General Miles' party, will not travel so far as that of the robbery itself. The impression that even a General of the Army could not protect himself from the light-fingered gentry in Hawaii, was spread broadcast by the Associated Press, but few will hear that it only took three days to find the criminal and only three months to land him in prison for three years. With so alert a police service Honolulu and its tourists do not need to fear for their property even in the rare instances where it gets away from them.

John Barrett will make an excellent minister to Japan. He has lived long in the Far East, part of the time as minister to Siam, and is known as an authority on the affairs of the great Asiatic States. Lately he was received in audience by the emperors of China, Japan and Korea. As an advocate of wider trade relations for the United States, Mr. Barrett will now get the sort of leverage he has long wanted.

If the Bishop Estate site for the post-office should be chosen, stores in the Alexander Young building would command a premium and both King and Hotel streets would get a lively impetus. At the same time if the old post-office became the city hall, trade would not be hurt down that way.

It is up to Kappelmeyer Berger to write a "Pacific Cable March."

FIGHTING FARM PESTS.

Whenever small farming is proposed in Hawaii a warning cry is raised about pests. It is true enough that pests exist and that they are many and voracious, but it is also true that the great agricultural sections of the mainland are not exempt from them. Indeed we of Hawaii have nothing worse than the army worms and nothing to compare with the locusts that now and then sweep over the Middle West, a veritable plague of Egypt, nor have we any destructive insects which multiply like the potato bugs and the hop lice. On the mainland the farmers expect to fight pests and do fight them successfully, but here the disposition is to throw up the hands without a fair test of wits and remedies. The worst feature of it all is that the presence of a few pests is used to scare away mainland farmers who are led to think that the drawbacks here are extraordinary while, as a matter of truth, they are less serious than what the pioneer farmers found in the states or are finding in California now.

When the Eastern farmer made a clearing in the woods he had to contend with ten pests where the Hawaiian agriculturist has to meet one. Let us say that he planted corn. First he had to protect the seed against the crows, the squirrels, chipmunks, wild turkeys and ordinary birds. When the tender shoots appeared various destructive worms came to prey on them and if there were any deer in the neighborhood they raided the field whenever they could. Later when the ears ripened the coons made midnight forays. It was one long fight for the farmer and he was not safe even after he had put his crop in the barn, for then he had to look out for rats, mice, and squirrels. However, he kept everlastingly at it and finally won even in the face of a cheapening market and usurious freight rates. What was true of his corn was true of most of his other crops. If he tried fruit trees there were woodchucks to gnaw the young saplings, long winters to freeze them, worms to devour the leaves, insects to sting the fruit. But the farmer held on and did his part in building up the gigantic industry which now feeds half the world.

Take the California farmer today. He has to fight the rabbits, the gophers, the scale, the cut worms, the alkali, the drouth, the birds and the Southern Pacific railroad. Life with him is an everlasting battle; but in his hands California is becoming the greatest agricultural state in the union. The lot of the Hawaiian farmer is infinitely preferable. His pests are fewer in variety. There are fewer kinds of destructive insects and feathered and four-footed marauders and he has a better market. Moreover, if he can get enough other farmers on the land the pests he has will be more easily controlled.

See how. A small farm is cleared in the midst of a large area of wild growths where the worm and bug pests breed. Vegetables are planted and the pests which have been living on weeds soon get a taste for the better things. There is something new for them in nature's menu. As the good word goes out the bugs of the district rally on the little patch of cabbages and turnips and cucumbers and the farmer must get busy in self-defence. If he is a wise farmer he will consult the scientists of the U. S. Experiment Station or the Territorial bureau about remedies and, by applying a cure remove or lessen the ban. If his wisdom does not stop there he will do his best to get other farmers to redeem adjoining tracts and thus divide the attentions of the pests and increase the strength of the defenders. Eventually if the whole region is put under cultivation, he will find that there are no more destructive insects and bugs than the farming community can easily combat. He is not bothered by deer, rabbits, crows, robins, squirrels, gophers, chipmunks, woodchucks, hawks, alkali, drouth, army worms or by many birds. In fact he occupies a fine position among farmers and can soon get a competency.

Is it not time, therefore, to stop talking in a pessimistic way about farming in Hawaii and go in for it on as large a scale as possible? Public lands will soon be on the market and people ought to be got to occupy them. The more that come the less trouble there will be in surmounting the difficulties which accrue from nature's struggle for existence. Let it be known among other things what pests we haven't got; and what prices are paid for farm products; and then, as we believe, white farmers will come here and will make the same success they have earned elsewhere under far less favorable conditions.

Wealthy Man Shot.

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 6.—George Garretson, president of the Garretson Investment Company, has been severely injured by the accidental discharge of a shotgun, while he and two companions were quail shooting near the Sweetwater reservoir. The three men were driving in a wagon at the time of the accident and it is thought a jolt caused the discharge of the gun. The load of shot grazed the head of one of the men and tore away the flesh of Garretson's upper arm to the bone. A telephone message was sent into town for a surgeon who went to the house where Mr. Garretson was being cared for, accompanied by Mrs. Garretson. The wounded man will be brought into the city some time during the day.

The education bill has passed the House of Commons in England.

SCHWAB ON THE USES OF WEALTH

PARIS, November 27.—Since the arrival of President Schwab's parents, mother-in-law and brother-in-law the millionaire has recovered his old time gaiety. He is devoted to his mother, and strolls and drives with her daily. The Enquirer correspondent chatted with Mr. Schwab about the pleasures and disabilities of wealth.

Pointing to a table in the room, Mr. Schwab said:

"Look at that heap of cards, telegrams and letters which I have received since the papers announced my arrival in Paris. Behold the power of the press. I have worked upon that pile until I am tired. I intend to instruct the clerks not to send up any more."

"Yes, there is pleasure in riches if properly employed. Their use should be altruistic, not selfish. The old teaching that we can do what we please with our own is wrong. Wealth means responsibility; more wealth, more responsibility. Observe how the German Emperor is realizing the responsibility and how he works incessantly to the end that wealth may make the path of life a little easier. The man who helps others judiciously feels better for it. All this reverts to the brotherhood of man."

"Wealth has drawbacks under certain circumstances. It attracts undue publicity; it tends to make public aspects of life which should be private. It is harder for men of wealth to find rest than men of moderate means. There is wisdom in the phrase, 'give me neither poverty nor riches.'"

"But all depends on the use made of it, for wealth increases one's opportunity of doing good. That's the meaning of Shakespeare's counsel, 'Put money in thy purse.' The path of the wealthy is not always strewn with roses. The American's editorial says:

"Honesty's essence is religion." I assume that honesty implies truth. Some newspapers once accused a member of my family of being a successful speculator. She does not know the difference between stocks and bonds."

Mr. Schwab and party left tonight for Cannes, where they will rejoin the steam yacht Margarita.

Money Uncertain.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—The uncertain outlook in the money market has been a repressive influence upon speculation. Attempts to put up prices proved futile and the large drain on bank reserves prompted re-selling of stocks. Liquidation has not been urgent and intense dullness developed at declines. Operations based upon the assembling of Congress and the President's message were purely professional and about evenly balanced. The market is a waiting one and attention is centered upon the working year and requirements for money.

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